

MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY

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The Cuban request for a non-invasion assurance in the current Security Council debate that we have been able to find came on October 23 when Garcia-Inchausti quoted a previous statement by President Dorticos in the General Assembly. The relevant quotation from Dorticos reads as follows:

"Were the United States able to give Cuba effective guarantees and satisfactory proof concerning the integrity of Cuban territory, and were it to cease its subversive and counter-revolutionary activities against its people, the Cuba would not have to strengthen its defenses. Cuba would not even need an army, and all the resources are used for this could be gratefully and invested in the economic and cultural development of the country. Were the United States able to give us proof, by word and deed, that it would not carry out aggression against our country, we declare solemnly before you here and now, our weapons would be unnecessary and our army redundant. We believe ourselves able to create peace." (S/PV 1022 page 46).

We can find no independent statement by the Cuban UN representative along the above lines.

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